## Shelter Update - An important message from our Director

Guilford County has declared a state of emergency due to COVID-19 and GCAS needs YOUR HELP NOW.

We have altered both field and shelter operations to minimize human contact for residents while remaining committed to both public safety and lifesaving. GCAS Officers will continue to respond to urgent, high-priority calls including sick or injured animals and animals that threaten public safety.

In compliance with Guilford County's "stay at home" order declaration, the only non-staff permitted to enter the building will be individuals who believe GCAS has their lost pet or any individual that has an appointment.

We are now conducting adoptions by appointment only! Please call 336-641-3401 to schedule an appointment with our adoption staff who will help you make your selection. You will then schedule a time for a "curbside" pick-up of your new best friend! All adoptions will be FREE UNITL FURTHER NOTICE. Make sure to follow us on Facebook and Instagram for daily videos of adoptable pets and you can also view photos of adoptable pets

GCAS is suspending the surrender of owned pets until April 12th. All owners interested in surrendering their pet should call 336-641-3413 for more information. GCAS is not taking in healthy community cats now; any kittens with a mother should be monitored until 8 weeks of age rather than brought to the shelter.

To make a donation of our most needed supplies, please visit our Amazon Shelter Wishlist by clicking-https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/3MVL7VZWJ27CG?ref\_=wl\_share&fbclid=IwAR2NAl6evIDUF AnrfQbRUWrw3g4bQ6qwMklDZO\_P\_LBeHw5jzJiVSMCFzMA

All vaccination clinics, trainings, volunteer orientations and adoption events have been canceled for the remainder of March and April in compliance with Guilford County's COVID-19 protocol.

U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC):

"No animals in the United States have been identified with the virus, and there is no evidence that dogs or other pets can contract or spread COVID-19."

We will continue to keep everyone updated as the COVID-19 situation continues to develop. Be sure to follow us on Facebook and/or on Guilford County's web site for more updates-https://www.guilfordcountync.gov/our-county/administration/coronavirus-updates

Stay well,

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